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The National Viewpoint

Each maneuver of the farm-bloc Senators against the shipping bill throws into higher relief the broadminded and patriotic stand of Mr. Harding in face of those local groups of which every legislature is necessarily composed.

stituents. Their demands are largely curities equally safe.

States when he insists that Congress place this legislation before the fundamental of all industries.

There are the soundest economic reasons for comparing farming and vestor begin with the foundation! shipping. Both are basic industries. Since the war the nation is more alive than ever to the necessity of upbuilding a prosperous and consessed a large merchant marine.

ern nation to lend every facility to approaches to India. the development of a rounded and

financed, that American ships must icy of empire. look largely for their cargoes.

both laws. The farm-bloc Senators than a year ago the Bolsheviks anwill write themselves down as legisnounced the successful conclusion of lators of a small and limited horizon agreements with Afghanistan giving and revenue agents began in 1791, if they demand just laws for the them preferred rights in this terrifarmer and deny just laws for the tory, which had been a buffer state ships of all America.

the only Catholic reference of his India. First to Last-the Truth: News-Edi- father's known to him is contained in the letter of October 21, 1861, to trymen that Archbisnop Hughes of New York. In that letter, feeling and thoughtful, Lincoln speaks of the need of chaplains in the soldiers' hospitals, dicated. and asks Archbishop Hughes to give him the names of suitable persons of the Catholic Church whom he might appoint to that service.

"With malice toward none," said Lincoln. He would be the last to ap- diction conferred by the Eighteenth prove in the slightest degree a secret | Amendment is truly double-barreled. society shot through with malice.

The Small Investor's Problem

War financing in the United States multiplied many times the number of nature of American government. investors within the nation, and the

tant because of their size, but they | Congress may if it sees fit, as are especially significant because Mr. Taft points out, by legislation tleman of Clarksburg, W. Va., as he of securities.

It would be regrettable if those morrow and their certificates next guesses that if a state were to criticism of the whole motion picmonth fritter away the proceeds in non-essential spending. Not only for economic reasons but because of eral law wouldn't bite. As it is the real and less theatrical—when they an tuell demand for lutther larm social considerations as well it is dethe Middle West are performing sirable that they reinvest the money threat from the viewpoint of the the stiddle west are performing paid back by the government in se- friends of rigorous enforcement,

ing wisely and properly. But when cial naïveté of the layman and seek ment. they couple with their plea for aid to induce him to place cash which In New York, where the Mullanfor their communities a denial of had been in the best security in the Gage law keeps pace with the Volaid to another basic industry, ship- world-obligations of the Treasury stead act, it is quite possible for exist on this earth are put into picping, they expose themselves to a of the United States-into highly the bibulous to get what came to ture dramas and do the things that charge of grave inconsistency and speculative or even fraudulent is-It is Mr. Harding's bounden duty leased would be to purchase with Supreme Court underscored. urder the Constitution to represent them new obligations of the Treasthe whole United States, and he is ury-either the thirty-year 4% per Freng up to his duty with stalwart cent bonds, which can be purchased

liar requirements. But let every in. can be bought cheaply.

well as picturesque in the remark of throughout the country, mostly tented farming population. It was Tchitcherin to Lord Curzon: "You along the Atlantic and the Gulf equally the lessons of the war which are perhaps disturbed because our coasts. In Louisiana alone there are convinced the nation that America horsemen have reappeared on the two of the largest and most famous, could not be either secure or efficient heights of Pamir and because you more than 85,000 acres in area, in its foreign trade unless it pos- do not have before you the half idiot where thousands of birds take Czar who ceded you in 1895 the crest refuge every year. The national It is popular in certain quarters of the Hindu-Kush." Tchitcherin parks also serve as refuges for to speak of legislation extending knew that few English statesmen migratory birds. governmental sid to farmers or ship- appreciated more keenly the signifi- The Federal tax of \$1 imposed ping lines as legislation for "special cance of these words than Lord Cur-upon each hunter under the new interests." The Democratic party zon. He had not forgotten that law is in addition to the state tax. has long attacked the whole protecthirty years ago Lord Curzon made Its purpose is to provide the funds tive theory on this exact ground. a thorough survey of this mountain for the purchase and maintenance The Republican party has, to the district and learned with his own of the hunting grounds and precontrary, consistently supported eyes that whoever controls the passes serves. In view of the small tax resuch fostering aid upon the theory through the Hindu-Kush and the quired of resident hunters by so that it was the prime duty of a mod- Pamirs controls the northwestern many states this additional Federal

correlated industry—that a nation Russians have been slowly pushing for a resident hunter's license. For specializing in a few activities could southward and the British in conse- this the man is privileged to shoot be neither independent nor great.

Upon this Republican theory the quence have extended their outposts to the north and have carried on a the season. America of to-day is founded. As ceaseless, silent struggle to check The new bill will not conflict with it happens, the two industries to- the Russian ad ance. One of Rus- any state laws. It will simply give ward which Mr. Harding would now sia's main objectives has been the added facilities to the average bird direct Federal aid, farming and Khyber Pass, through which Alex- hunter and will provide further shipping, are closely correlated. The ander the Great is said by some to refuges for the game. Both of these farmer needs American vessels in have entered India, and which purposes are desirable in the inwhich to export his grain or he can- served as the gateway for the hordes | terests of good sportsmanship. not hope that his grain will compete of Ghengis Khan and countless other with the grain of other nations upon invaders of the Indian plains. To an equality. It is upon a prosper- prevent Russia gaining this pass has ous farming population, adequately therefore been part of Britain's pol- government agent who was riddled

"He was great by thought, great by alism and imperialism which has so much uneasiness that in 1794 he discover increased bank savings, defeeling, great by action." Lincoln been steadily progressing decrease in the death rate.

never could have written the inane nine and Tchitcherin is thus again suppress this "whisky rebellion."

At the basis of the mountaineers'

The experiment of a democracy death, was put in his mouth and is of India have re-arisen. Bolshevik nomic reason. To transport corn in obey the laws they themselves have now circulated in the name of the Russia is not yet strong enough to the grain or as meal was a difficult made. You could help so much to pre-

Kipling in 1898 warned his coun-

"There is no truce with Adam-rad,

The Bear that looks like a man." His foresight is again being vin-

Double-Barreled Enforcement

The Supreme Court, speaking through Chief Justice Taft, leaves no doubt that the concurrent juris-For a single act of transgression an offender is liable to punishment clear-cut illustration of the dual

In a Federal court a defendant approaching maturities of Treasury may not be prosecuted twice for whisky, as their ancestors before American. bligations will test the permanence the same offense, for that is double of the popularization of thrift. To- jeopardy, forbidden by the Constitumorrow \$720,000,000 of 4% per cent tion. But if the offense also runs almost an economic necessity. To-Victory notes will fall due, and on foul of a state statute the state day, however, it is a luxury. January 1 next between \$600,000,000 court deals with it regardless of any and \$625,000,000 of War Savings Federal jeopardy. However tough it Certificates will become payable in may seem to the lawbreaker that

non-essential spending. Not only courts to plead guilty and the Fed- worth while when they are more who probably would not object to a think is sensational Unscrupulous stock venders are hydra-headed government for the

National Hunting Ground

Sportsmen will welcome the bill a grage and fairness. He himself through any bank, or the new 41/2 sponsored by the National Game Assomes from the Middle West. He is per cent two-year notes or new sociation for the creation of hunting ta no sense an Easterner. But he Treasury certificates, which run five grounds where the "one-gallus" man thas seen the shipping problem in its years, pay 4 per cent compound in- may shoot ducks, geese and shore national aspects and he is speaking terest, and are obtainable in small birds. So many of the available for the whole people of the United denominations at any postoffice. hunting lands have been bought for The safest securities form the exclusive use by clubs or wealthy proper foundation stones for an in- individuals that the average hunter vestment structure. With them as finds it difficult to shoot without gram. For the America of to-day, a beginning the investor is in a posi- trespassing. There are, neverthe-Thich cannot prosper without its tion to consider other shares and less, enough good places left which foreign trade, a national merchant bonds in which the degree of risk is may be acquired by the Federal marine, designed for and directed to enhanced. Through its investment government to create a number of the upbuilding of American com- column The Tribune stands ready to public hunting grounds. For the merce, must be ranked with the most help its readers with their individ- most part the best shooting lands ual problems of meeting their pecu- are useless for other purposes and

A provision for extending the number of bird refuges has been inserted in this bill to help preserve The Bear in the Hindu-Kush the game in closed seasons. Already There was something personal as there are some fifty-six bird refuges

tax is not excessive. New York During the last fifty years the State, for example, charges \$1.10

A Moonshiners' War

The story from Kentucky of the with bullets fired from the bush by At the same time that Tchitcherin | moonshiners whose stills he was Thus, in a fair view, neither the thus announced the presence of the hunting contains little that is unshipping bill nor the rural credits Russian horsemen at the gates of usual. The hostility of the moonlaw favors a special interest. Each India the Moscow newspapers car. shiner for the "revenocer" is tradiis an integral part of that national ried articles pointing out that Great tional. Whether the man be called machinery upon the functioning of Britain is once more endeavoring to a "prohibition officer" or a "revenue which the welfare of the entire na- extend her sway over Asia and that agent" is a matter of indifference to tion depends. Mr. Harding fights she is threatening the Russian out the moonshiner. He, like his predfor the whole nation in demanding posts on the Indian frontier. More ecessors for the last century and a

> when Congress passed a law impos- To the Editor of The Tribune. they seem to think, are now threat-bitterly that they offered armed re-

Robert Todd Lincoln, in repudiat- be resumed, and once more the Rus- Most of those who lived in remote | Brooklyn, Dec. 12, 1922.

ing the bogus quotation, says that sians are casting covetous eyes upon districts carried their produce by pack animal. To ship a few sacks of heavy corn meal was as much of an undertaking as to ship the equivadifference in price was enormous, and incidentally the market for corn liquor was always good. In fact, whisky was one of the important elements in hackwoods allet in the first can."

The Grand Chowdes of the Ku-Klams, or whatever he calls himself, says that the people who object to the Klams are "un-American."

much of the moonshining in the mountain districts of the Carolinas under both the Federal enforcement and Tennessee. Corn liquor at even law and that of his state. It is a this late date was easier to transport and brought a higher price than corn meal. Naturally, therefore, the mountaineers made their corn into them had done.

Moonshining in the old days was

Too Descriptive "You can't fool me; it isn't real," said an eighty-three-year-old genthey involve the savings of small, bar prosecution by the Federal looked at the first moving picture untutored investors, many of whom courts for any act when punishment show he had ever seen. He meant, never before ventured into the realm for violation of state prohibition has probably, that it was not pictures been imposed. At first blush it would he saw but shadows of people beseem equitable for Congress to do hind the screen. But when he said so. But the Chief Justice shrewdly "It isn't real" he made a searching

> Motion pictures will be more tortion into what scenario writers

The real West has suffered heavof the whole nation. They are act. likely to take advantage of the finaners, but the real East and the real North and the real South have not sues. The ideal use for funds so re- Wash., whose double penalty the be more disposition on the part of intelligent people to sympathize with the producers in their fight against censorship.

> Mr. Hylan says the Ku-Klux Klan is working for "the interests." By the "interests" perhaps he means the Cotton Exchange.

More Truth Than Poetry By James J. Montague

Just Folks I understand that Doctor Doyle thinks highly of himself thinks highly of himself
Because he's got a photograph of
sprite and fay and elf.
I know (for with a friend of mine
I just have had a chat)

That it is not so wonderful to have such things as that!
For he has seen, my little friend, more sprites and elfs and fays Than Doctor Doyle has dreamed about in all his many days!

He sees them in the summer time careening through the glen, And when the frost is on the ground they all come back

ide the window panes at night they very often pass And draw, before the morning breaks, strange pictures on the

And if he had a camera and waited for the sun Why, he could have a photograph of every single one.

Last autumn, when the leaves were red and tumbling from the

creatures launched them on the brook and floated down the

breeze, And he has seen the acorn cups beside the river's brink
Strewn thickly in the grassy spot
where all the pixies drink—
The big ones for the burly gnomes with lusty appetites; The tiny thimble-fashioned cups for little baby sprites.

My little friend does not believe the fairy folk are shy
And hide away among the grass
when men are going by!
He says he hears them talk and

laugh and sees them leap and And any one can see them, too,

on any sunny day!
And he don't know why Doctor
Doyle a miracle has found photographing little folk that always are around!

The trans-Atlantic bootleggers are planning big business extensions as soon as the ship subsidy bill is in

Unnecessary One reason why the Irish do not want to go to war is because they always have one right at home.

operation.

No Volunteers If the present custom isn't abated husbands will soon have to be secured (Convright by James J. Montague)

Prohibition's Success ing an excise tax on whisky. This Sir: In yesterday's Tribune was an between Russia and India. These, tax the mountaineers resented so with Pow Trade a National Indiana. With Rum Trade a National Industry. A Lincoln Fraud

ened.

Clemenceau finely said of Lincoln:

The resurgence of Russian nationfinally caused President Washington

The resurgence of Russian nationfinally caused President Washington

where the law is enforced? You will

The Lantern

elements in backwoods diet in the early days. As a result, therefore, the mountaineers had every inducement to go into the illicit liquor business.

Even a decade ago these same economic reasons were at the bottom of much of the meanshiping in the Vou can make a man sore by call.

You can make a man sore by calling him one thing and then get an-

Some persons, they have informed us, dislike the Anti-Saloon League because it is One Hundred Per Cent American. Others because it is un-The same may be said of the Ku-

Klux Klams, the Lady Barbers' Union, Local No. 1; the Drama League, the Knights of Pythagoras, the Old Soaks' Benevolent and Senthe Old Soaks Benevotation, the Amalga-timental Association, the Amalga-mated Infants' Society for the Sup-mated Infants' Society for the Sup-the Castor Bean, the pression of the Castor Bean, the American Legion, the Society for the Propagation of Indecent Literature, the Embattled Friends of Fitzurse, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Society of the Cincinnati and Points West, the Anti-Safety Pin and Non-Vivisection Union, the Knights of Columbus, the Young Hebrew Men's Christian Association, the Aunt Prudence Hecklebury So-dality, the Welfare and Contentment Club of Sing Sing Trusties, the Sen-ate of the United States, the Billy Sunday Cinder Path Runners-up the Farm Bloc Heads, the Shimmy Dancers' Uplift and Protective League, the Y. W. C. A., the Rockefeller Foundation, the Bootleggers Improvement League and the Order of the Silver Collar Button.

The moment you join one of these organizations all the other organizations list you at once as one things, and usually as both of two things:

Hundred Per Cent American. (2.) Un-American.

anything by defining) have a gift

Frederick O'Brien and Peter Fitz-urse discovered the Demi-Virgin Islands, which lie in latitudes and suffocating.

society to criticize before we would feel safe in expressing an opinion against organizing societies.

and thousands of individual points of once does Mr. Drew forget that he is view, and that more Individualism an actor and attempt to serve as taint. our estimation.)

to join something in order to learn? The interesting thing to us is that

Republican and Democratic parties will continue to manage the practical affairs of state as usual, which is to say they will mismanage them, as

or other. But we don't know how. We don't know how to get into touch with the situation in any ef-fective way, and we fear to lend ourcelves to some way that may not be the right way. We don't want to butt in and make things worse, and we distrust all the ready-made plans presented to us, for our co-operation, by various European statesmen and cliques with their national and

But the whole thing makes us feel responsible and serious.

This seriousness takes the form

our own country morally, since it is denied expression elsewhere.

each person herding in along with the bunch that makes the greatest appeal to him personally. Traditional moralities, instincts, emotions, prejudices, impulses are coming to the surface and clamoring "He was great by thought, great by action." Lincoln been steadily progressing under Lecalled out fifteen thousand troops to populated fails and almshouses and a and clashing because the people, to

an unusual extent, are genuinely stirred. And because there is no now circulated in the name of the Ku-Kiux Kian. In nothing that Linbe able to do more than make piccoln uttered and that has been preturesque threats of her horsemen on were bad, the markets far away, and secomplishments of the Eighteenth accomplishments of the Eighteenth Amendment and the Volstead set.

LEONORE WICKES.

If you join all of them you are listed in the same way. If you don't join any of them you are likewise listed in the same way.

The American people (whoever they are—we don't intend to start they are a seffit they are

for organization. When Dr. Walter E. Traprock

longitudes so incredibly high that we haven't the nerve to chronicle them, the first thing they did as patriotic Americans was to organize the natives into three societies. The next day each one of the societies was saying that the other two were un-American part of the time and the

We aren't criticizing this trait in American character. If we felt inclined to we wouldn't dare to sit done a most difficult thing extremely coln that Americans worship, whether out here on a limb all alone and well. To say that he is modest it be accurate or not, is literally an a master craftsman. It is evident that criticize. We'd have to organize a signifies at once that he is conscious image composed of a fine mosaic of

Fothergil Finch says it is a Healthful Sign. He says these hun-dreds and thousands of societies show the breaking up of the stupid

But why do individuals need to able to write so impartial a volume of the cherry tree fable so far as we join something to help them express about himself.

Mr. Draw long are went the reputable relative who

The interesting thing to us is that all these organizations profess to exist for the purpose of bettering usual persons who are more interpart, in an awestruck whisper.

And they are all sincere about it. national life in one way or another. And they are all sincere about it. Indeed, the situation might be described as a rush of sincerity to the

And we Americans feel that we interesting. Personally, we wish that Once we were on the verge of triumph. that I me alive." ought to be in it, in some fashion

partisan axes to grind.

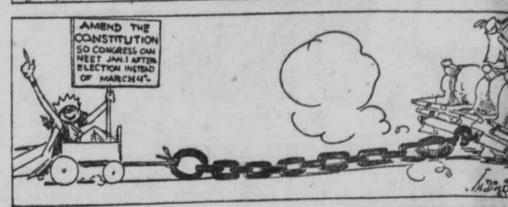
of making us attempt to clean up So we are expressing our serious mood through the medium of all these various societies and cliques,

tion of America which, after his pre-war rivalries for the domination grievance in those days was an ecodouble was put in his mouth and is of India have re-arisen. Bolshevik nomic reason. To transport corn in obey the laws they themselves have practical man and an idealist they

THE MOUNTAIN LABORED AND BROUGHT FORTH A MOUR Copr., New York Tribune Inc., 1918 RA-TA-TA-TA-TA-DA







Books and So Forth

ON MARCH 22, 1923, John Drew Mr. Drew had left some of them out We are the first five words at the American part of the time so Hundred Per of his first appearance as an actor. The cent American that it was positively story of the reles he has played in that half century is contained in his auto- dashes of enlightenment that frequent- favorite cath were:

> of his own importance and has striven sneedetes. Washington, we think, is a the malediction was huried. Men say to minimize it. It is not modesty that less human figure, because too little less attention to such things is the has given the book its refreshing of his personalk, ... been embalmed days. Intellectually, they may demand flavor. It is Mr. Drew's ability to tell in little tales of conduct. There is, of variety and change. Emotionally, they a straightaway story in a straightaway course, the priggish and immoral are content to go along in the path fashion.

The limelight, necessarily, is fixed on port that its hero grew up to "swear him from first page to last. Yet not like an angel" at the battle of Mon- to realize this-no original is what this country needs. (Foth- audience as well. There is a notable that a person whose profession it has of an anecdote that would have freed been to inspire plaudits should be Washington for all time from the onus

sands to be individuals accompanied by a self-conscious feeling that they distinction. His "My Years on the of His Country. She had obtained it. quite know how and will have Stage" gives him right to the even during her girlhood, from an old, old rarer title of an autobiographer, who is spinster, the daughter of the overseer not infatuated with the hero of his at Mount Vernon. It was imparted to than in themselves.

> members of all surviving generations. considerable length, with no repetitions. Parents and grandparents, and even Our relative had received it seventy great-grandparents, will have memories years before. She had never repeated reburnished and recollections re- it to a soul. But she told us it was say something " I asked. awakened by reading John Drew's life. still vivid in her mind. We believe it . . .

biography, "My Years or the Stage." | ly reveal more than the steady giare of To us it seems that Mr. Drew has the spotlight. The personality of Lincherry tree incident. Not even the re-

ourselves were concerned. We had a at large if his inaugural address had Mr. Drew, long ago, won the reputa- beloved and venerable relative who been lost and his favorite oath po-

told us, manifestly a verbatim quota-The book should have an appeal for tion, with no deletions. It was also of WRS.

To persons more vitally concerned No laborer in Egyptian ruins ever There is something serious to do with the past of the stage than we are, dug more patiently and persistently field is dead, I went on. in the world . . . to salvage and the casts of characters included in the into the past than we did to uncarth volume will probably prove intensely this treasure. We never succeeded, burt me so much. He doesn't by

celebrates the fiftieth anniversary and included instead more anecdote. our ____mant resumed her sizes of Anecdotes have always seemed to us seventy years and would go no further. personal or national. They are little five words of George Washington

By Frederic F. Van de Water

"Now may the almighty Jehovah"-

there was considerable wind-up before blazed by their forefathers. You have only to hear the average min's cussing

We aren't at all sure that Washing ton to-day would not have been a mer human and lovable figure to the wirk served instead.

and over.

There are numerous anecdotes is 'My Years on the Stage," but we stal there were even more. Not the were of these is Mr. Drew's account of a meeting with E. H. Sothern is Louis ville, Ky. They were talking together when a leading citizen leter hailed Sothern as "Mr. Massfeld," welcomed him to the city and departed.

Mr. Drew continues: ""Why in heaven's name din's yes "What was there to say't said

"'He doesn't know that Dick Man-"'Well,' said Sothern, 'that don't

What Readers Are Thinking

Good Reporting To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: I cannot resist writing you of porter has grasped the salient facts in his description of what took place yes-terday at Dr. Gayer's lecture at the Hotel Astor. It's nothing short of uncanny-his exact picture in mere words of what took place, as well as what the man said. Such "reporting" Correcting the Imperial Wizard ing put forward by European satisfy M. V. W.

New York, Dec. 11, 1922.

From His German Heart To the Editor of The Tribune.

Escape" I cannot help laughing from the is "financed and directed by designing plaining about it. The money better of my "Garman heavi" for the bottom of my "German heart" for the switte men for their purposes," etc. owed and was paid as a matter reason that neither your many recent

reparation sum which she must pay, tion of Independence. "Letting Germany Escape" and give Secretary National Association for the up trying to convince the American public of how prosperous the Germans still are to-day.

HERMAN MOENKEBERG. Passaic, N. J., Dec. 12, 1022.

as this article is a great achievement. To the Editor of The Tribune.

People does not object to being de- before the war this centify and nounced by the Ku-Klux Klan, there is Europeans several hundred million tributed to the Klan's imperial wizard in Europe called for dividend or let Sir: After reading your editorial which I hope you will grant me space est payments. These payments of this morning "Letting Germany to correct. It is that this association made and Americans were not of the lands in the lands

The fact is the National Association course. pro-French articles nor M. Clemen- for the Advancement of Colored Peo- Let these European nations cean's speeches have in the least changed the real American point of view. Neither of you has achieved anything substantial in this respect. anything substantial in this respect. tions in America can prevail only if good deal of self-denial for the per-Just bear in mind: There will be Americans proceed upon the principles of this country to pay the dabts of no occupation of the Ruhr district, nor laid down in the documents openly in the past. So it does not seem to will Germany have to pay the fantas- flouted by such groups as the Ku-Klux such a fearful hardship for them tic sum which the French so "justly" Klan. I refer, of course, to that now pay us as we have paid them demand. Germany ought to, and no ignored document, the United States demand. Germany ought to, and no ignored document, the United States doubt will, get a long-term morato- Constitution, and the, if possible, still Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1922

rium and a great reduction of the more ignored document, the Declare JAMES WELDON JOHNSON, Advancement of Colored People

New York, Dec. 11, 1922.

The Insistent Creditor To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: When we hear the claims that this country ought to cancel the debts owed by them to us we de us ation for the Advancement of Colored to keep clearly in mind the fact the